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In claim 13; line 5, delete "said" and insert in place thereof --a--;

In claim 13, line 6, delete "said" and insert in place thereof --a--;

In claim 13, line 7, delete both occurrences of "said" and insert in both places --a-

In claim 17; line 5, delete "said" and insert in place thereof --a--;

In claim 17, line 6, delete "said" and insert in place thereof --a--;

In claim 17, line 7, delete both occurrences of "said" and insert in both places --a-

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-8, 13-22 are allowed. The drawings filed 3-8-04 are acceptable.

Reasons for allowance

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The term "leakage light" is defined by applicant in the specification on page 52, lines 13-25.

The present invention includes independent claims 1, 3, 6, 13, 17. Claim 1 recites a method of producing an optical waveguide. Claim 3 recites a method of producing an optical waveguide having an optical path portion of a high refractive index and a portion of a low refractive index on a surface of the optical path portion by using a